

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A method for digital data transmission with a variable bandwidth in a network which has at least one server (3), a user terminal (6) and a network management system (4), having the following steps:

establishing a connection between the user terminal (6) and the server (3) at least partly by means of an ADSL connection (12),

displaying a plurality of bandwidths that can be selected on a display device (14) of the user terminal (6), transmitting bandwidth selection data, based on the selected one of the plurality of bandwidths, from the user terminal (6) to the network management system (4) assigned to the server (3), [[and]].

transmitting information data from the server (3) to the user terminal (6) via the ADSL connection (12) and/or in the opposite direction with a bandwidth corresponding to the previously transmitted bandwidth selection data, in which case the network management system (4) communicates billing data to a billing device (5), assigned to the server (3), in a manner

dependent on the previously transmitted bandwidth selection data,  
and

once the bandwidth selection data have been received,  
the network management system (4) transmits setting data on an  
ATU-C (2) of an ADSL system, which forwards the setting data to  
an ATU-R (1) of the ADSL system via an embedded operations  
channel (8) of the ADSL system for the purpose of synchronizing  
the settings.

2. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the bandwidth selection data are transmitted via an embedded operations channel (8) of the ADSL connection (12).

3. (canceled)

4. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that a maximum bandwidth of the plurality of predetermined bandwidths that can be selected is set in a manner dependent on the system capabilities.

5. (canceled)

6. (canceled)